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Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez, right, embrace ousted Honduras' President Manuel Zelaya, left, as Nicaragua's President Daniel Ortega gestures during the Central American Integration System, or SICA, summit in Managua, Monday, June 29, 2009.

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SPORTS NEWS



In this photo taken on Sunday, June 28, 2009, New York Yankees closer Mariano Rivera stands at first base after drawing a bases-loaded walk for his first career RBI in the ninth inning of the Yankees 4-2 victory over the New York Mets in their interleague baseball game at Citi Field in New York. Shortly after, Rivera earned his 500th career save in the same

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Van der Eyken and Rolien Caers win the 2009 Freestyle Pro Kids World in Italy

Aruban Steven Lageveen recognized as best Windsurfer under 12 in the world

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The sixth and last day of competition at the Junior and Youth Freestyle Worlds in Porto Pollo/Palau, Sardinia Italy had very good wind conditions since mid-morning when wind blows more than 25 knots. Just after for many hours a range between 30 and 25 knots allowed a fantastic day of racing. In this excellent situation, Junior under 17 and Youth under 20 made their single, whose results will be added to the already raced double in order to decree the championship winners.

In Junior Under 17 division the four best have been Matteo Romeo ITA 493 vs. the Dutch Nick Van Ingen NED 122 and Bonaire's competitor Youp Schmit NB 12 vs the other Dutch Rick Hendrusch NED 120. Youp third and Romeo fourth. The final between the two Nick and Rick, usual in The Netherlands, ended with Rick as winner.

In Youth Under 20 division, Belgian Dieter Van der Eyken BEL 35 and Estonian Christofer Kalk EST 141 confirmed one time again in the top. But the Italian challengers changed than the previous double. Matteo Testa ITA 2610 and Marco Vinante ITA 205 reached the top. Testa finished as fourth, Kalk as third. No story in the final where Van der Eyken, surely the best competitor in the championship, easily won, showing to the people on the beach a very good number of

Of course Dieter Van der Eyken BEL 35 won the Youth under 20 World title, a worthy prize for a very able competitor and a very nice guy. Silver medal for the Italian Mattia Fabrizi



ITA 991 and third place for Vittorio Mazzocca Gamba ITA 52.

Under 17 junior World Champioship has been won by the Dutch Rick Jendrusch NED 120, followed by the Italian Matteo Romeo ITA 493 and the other Dutch Nick Van Ingen NED 122.

First in Starboard Pro Kids Worlds under 15 is the representative of Bonaire Youp Schmit NB 12, second Italian Francesco Cappuzzo ITA 333 and third the very young kid from Aruba Steven Max Lageveen ARU 888. Obviously Steven Max is the best under 12 for the international meeting, where

in Egypt Kostantin Smirnov RUS 111 and bronze Italian girl Alice Cappuzzo ITA 00. At the end of this wonderful week of sport and friendship, we thank very much all institutions and volunteers that have hard worked for a

successful event, without their support and job such events cannot be scheduled. Our most important thanks to Comune di Palau, Consorzio Operatori Turistici Orsus and the hosting sailing club Sporting Club Sardinia.

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Body & Sol Spa shows off its new staff uniforms







TIERRA DEL SOL – Body & Sol Spa recently showed off its new staff uniforms. And while the therapists are proud of their new updated look, the quality treatments they deliver are as always designed to make holidays in Aruba even more enjoyable and relaxing. Spa Manager Orly Valor reports that the stylish and

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Laurent-Perrier plays a starring role at exquisite `Escape to Papillon' dinner



not think of prison when talking about romantic

PALM BEACH - One would locations, but on Aruba you do when you talk about Papillon Restaurant, named after the





most famous prisoner in the world. The restaurant at The Village across from the Radisson Resort, shimmered and shone last Saturday, waiting for its special guests to alight from the Hummer Limousine that transported them from the Butterfly Farm champagne reception to The Village.

Flickering flames illuminated the red carpet on which the guests walked, accompanied by a hand-cuffed convict who took them to their seats. Of course the celebrity guests still carried their glasses of Laurent-Perrier Brut champagne and photographers were snapping and flashing away. Once seated, the fantastic evening continued in true Papillon style.

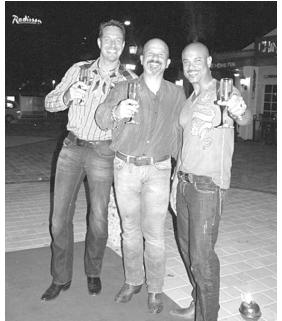
Superb Belgian chef Griet Vandenbrabant outshone herself on Saturday: a tartar of Dutch new herring with horseradish and a beetroot salad, followed by a stunningly delicious Cappuccino of watercress. Romar Trading's wine expert Clive Faustin explained the ins and outs of



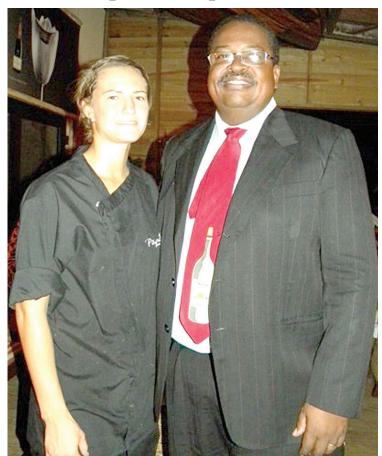
the Laurent-Perrier story and the fantastic Rosé champagne that was poured to accompany the pan fried scallops. A Cod fillet, rolled in Pata Negra was the main course; it was paired with the exquisite Laurent-Perrier Grand Siècle champagne, top of the line. Dessert is often something that one wishes to skip, but once you take one bite you can't stop. This was the case with the strawberry trio, that was so good that you had to eat it all. The Laurent-Perrier Demi-Sec proved to be perfect for the egg roll filled with ganache, the white chocolate brownie and the champagne marinated strawberries.

At the end of the evening the Papillon convicts were driven to their vehicles by the Hummer Limo. The verdict was out: their romantic escape had succeeded!

Valued sponsors of the 'Escape to Papillon' were the Butterfly Farm, Romar Trading, Laurent-Perrier, Bersah, Flora, The Village and the Hummer Limo.

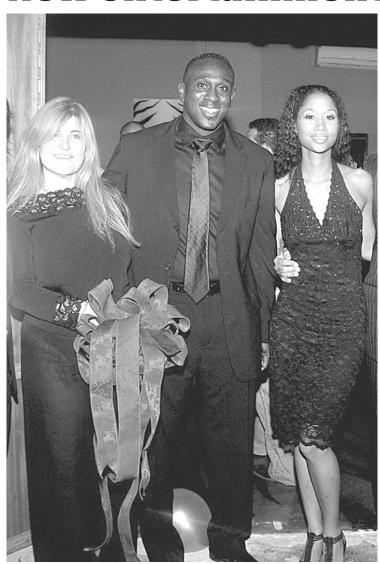








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Surprise party for Milly Lacle









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musical entertainment while the Turtle Cove catered a delicious dinner buffet. The party was a total surprise as Milly just stepped off a plane from Europe and was presented by kisses and hugs over flutes of Champagne upon arrival.





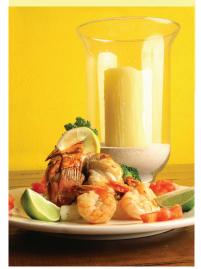




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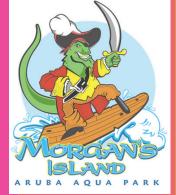
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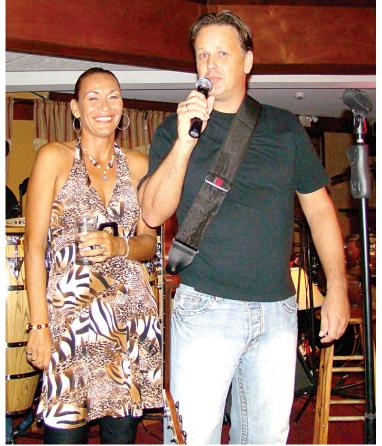
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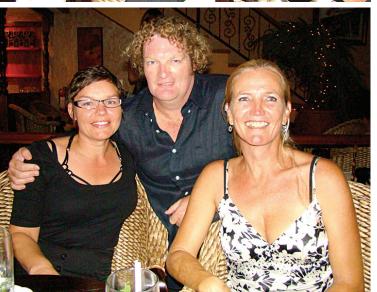
"Time" by duo Close Call

Fantastic New Album Release at Mr. Jazz















PALM BEACH -- A new album called "Time" by duo Close Call, made up of singer Henny Groot Antink & guitarist Martin Buitenweg, debuted at Mr. Jazz, Paseo Herencia this weekend.

The two musicians met in 2005 and started playing around the island hotels and restaurants.

They were received with great enthusiasm and over time decided since their musical tastes were similar to collaborate on a new album written and composed by them.

The musical collaboration conceived a fantastic CD which was introduced for the first time this weekend. To listen to some audio and look at video samples you may visit: www.closecall-aruba.com

The singer and the guitarist report they took their time to perfect the music and even tried a few tunes out in front of a live audience at the Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival in September.

The music was well received which pushed them to conclude the release of the CD.

Henny & Martin played ten songs at Mr. Jazz at their debut party backed by a great band with 8 musicians such as Jeremy Bonarriba, drums, Erik Eman, bass, Angelo Kock, piano and synth, Ricky Hernandez, percussion, and vocalists Mirugia de Cuba and Lucre Houtman.

The CD was recorded and mixed at Earthwalk Studios Aruba.



























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Wedding in Paradises on Renaissance Island!



ORANJESTAD - Dana Wyche & Norman Adams Jr. said "I do" on the beautiful Renaissance Island amongst friends and family on June 6, 2009. The group consisted of 42 guests including bride and groom. A special

congrats goes out to them for choosing the One Happy Island Aruba.

Wedding Planner was Juney Jones and Photography by Elnathan Hijmering. Congratulations from Aruba Today.







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4 ITA 191 - Chiocetti, Eva



litical promotion essential for islands, says Comenenci

THE HAGUE--Besides tourism marketing, the islands of the Netherlands Antilles, especially the future countries Curação and St. Maarten, should invest in political promotion in the Dutch Kingdom, according to departing Minister Plenipotentiary in The Hague Paul Comenencia. "You should sell your island politically."

Comenencia said that while the islands had invested a lot in promoting themselves as tourist destinations in the Netherlands, "political" promotion had been "seriously lacking."

"That has resulted in a (politically, ed.) negative image of the islands in the Netherlands. That image is not erased easily, not with a press release, a letter to the editor, a TV appearance or an angry minister plenipotentiary," he said.

The rigid attitude of the Second Chamber regarding the Netherlands Antilles largely reflects the general sentiments in Dutch politics. "The Second Chamber has the right to whatever opinion it has. However, it is too bad that this opinion is not always based on the right information," he said.

Comenencia said the islands were also to blame for their negative image in the Netherlands. "We have contributed to that image. We have not provided sufficient information on a large scale to the population and to the politicians. The lack of information and interest in the islands is great. We need to invest heavily in this. St. Maarten now feels the effects of too little marketing in the Netherlands. It all depends on how much the Netherlands knows about your island," he said.

The interest of the Dutch population and politicians should be revived in such a way that when a poll is held, the people will not say they want to get rid of the islands. "Solid relations in the Kingdom are essential if we want to keep forming a true kingdom based on mutual respect, norms and values," said Comenencia in an interview with The Daily Herald on one of his last working days as Minister Plenipotentiary of the Netherlands Antilles in The Hague.

Maintenance

"We should not each sit on our own little island in the Kingdom, but work together, talk to each other, evaluate and keep striving continuously to better relations. That demands maintenance. Parties should continuously consider what it takes to continue together. Otherwise, we'll drift apart and that would be a pity," he said.

According to Comenencia, times are gone that colonised islands in the world fight their mother countries, become independent, raise their own flags and go to the United Nations (UN). He said countries nowadays were uniting instead of splitting up.

Being part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands has great advantages for the islands, geopolitically and economically, said Comenencia. "Internationally the Kingdom has a good reputation. We would not be where we are now were it not for the Kingdom," he said, noting that other, poorer islands in the Caribbean were in a less fortunate position.

"Investors are attracted to economically and politically stable countries. For investors it is a comforting thought knowing that the islands are part of the Kingdom and that they have a solid justice system. We have to cherish the relations in the Kingdom, because it is better for the sustainable development of the islands," he said.

Comenencia is leaving the Netherlands in July after five years, to take up the prestigious function as Consul General for the Dutch Kingdom in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. His successor in The Hague, Marcel van der Plank, should be installed this weekend in Curação and will start his new job next week Monday.

Tightrope

Comenencia looked back at five interesting years of many consultations and intense negotiations between the Netherlands Antilles, the island territories and the Netherlands. Often he had been walking a tightrope, as he put it. But always he tried to build a bridge between the islands and the Netherlands. Dutch Prime Minister Jan Peter Balkenende commended Comenencia for his role as "bridge builder" during a farewell reception in The Hague last Wednesday.

As Minister Plenipotentiary, Comenencia was a member of the Kingdom Council of Ministers. The Netherlands Antilles plays a role in this council, even though it is only represented by one person. "We are not an appendix that gets steamrolled. Of course, the Netherlands forms a majority, but it takes us into account," he

To achieve the maximum in the Kingdom Council of Ministers, a Minister Plenipotentiary needs to have clear and substantiated instructions from the Central Government. "It really does make a difference," said Comenencia, adding that a lot depended on

the personal input of the Minister Plenipotentiary.

That input will become even more important in the future when the Kingdom consists of four countries and there will be three Ministers Plenipotentiary in the Kingdom Council of Ministers: one from Aruba, one from Curação and one from St. Maarten. "We will have to put in even more qualified people and we will have to work twice as hard." he said.

More professional

Looking back at his time at the Antillean House, Comenencia said the official representation in the Netherlands had become even more professional with more information being provided to the public. The newsletter

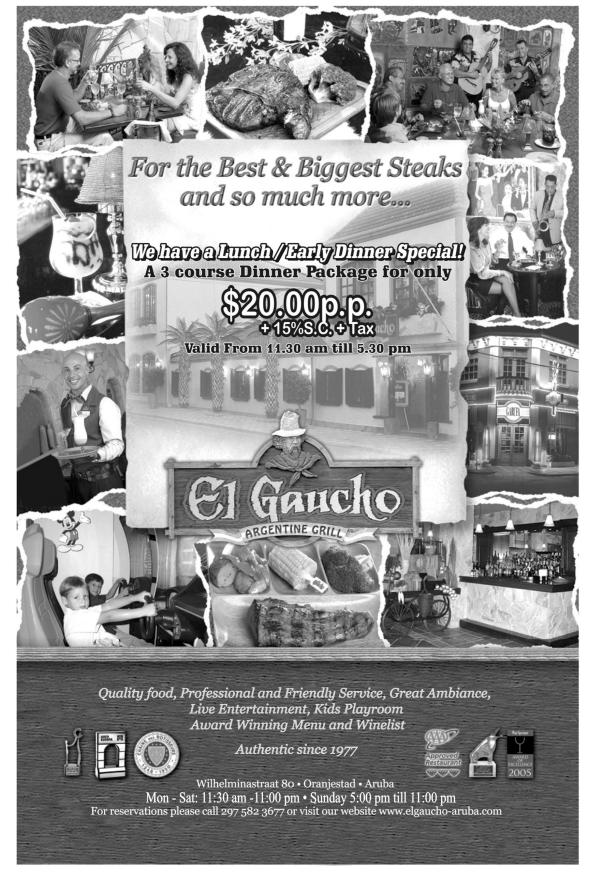
Antillen Info was improved and the Antillean House launched its Website in January 2005. This has contributed to a better exchange of information between the Netherlands and the Netherlands Antilles.

Another achievement was the improved communication at the level of the European Union (EU). The Netherlands Antilles is no longer represented by a permanent representative in Brussels, but by an entire team consisting of persons from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Dutch Representation and the Antillean House.

"We cooperate and cover Europe together. The result is that the Antillean Government knows what happens in Brussels and can Stakeholders receive an internal newsletter on a regular basis.

In general, the Antillean House has improved its added value for the Netherlands Antilles. The office is providing more services, also to the island territories, even though the Antillean House mainly works for the Central Government.

Responding to a recent media report in Curação that staff members were leaving the Antillean House "en masse," Comenencia said this was a "bit exaggerated." "I don't understand the commotion. I am not leaving an empty Antillean House," he said, explaining that people who had left were being replaced. (Suzanne Koelega)



Tuesday, June 30, 2009 PEOPLE & ARTS

Jackson kids' godfather never saw him take drugs



Former child star Mark Lester, who is godfather to pop star Michael Jackson's three children, poses with a photo of the star, at his home in Cheltenham, England, on Monday June 29, 2009. Lester who knew the music great for 27-years before his death, shares the view of the singer's father, Joe Jackson, that Jackson's death was likely caused by foul play. Lester said he has a close relationship with Jackson's three children and has spoken to them since the loss of their father.

By GREGORY KATZ, Associated Press Writer

CHELTENHAM, England

– The godfather of Michael
Jackson's three children said
Monday that the circumstances
surrounding the singer's death
"don't add up" because he

(AP photo/Simon Dawson) never saw him take drugs.

Former child star Mark Lester, known for his lead role in the 1970s movie version of the stage show "Oliver," told The Associated Press in an interview that Jackson was in excellent shape when he

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visited London in March to announce his comeback concerts.

He said his friend seemed excited about the shows when he spoke with Lester by telephone shortly before his sudden death.

"The circumstances of his death just don't add up for me," said Lester, a Jackson friend for more than 25 years who said he never saw the singer use drugs. "It just doesn't make sense."

The two met extensively when Jackson was in London in March and Lester found his friend to be fit and in good spirits at the time. Their families had meals together at Jackson's hotel, with the singer indulging in his British favorite, fish and chips.

Lester said he has a close relationship with Jackson's three children and has spoken to them since the loss of their father. He said he supports the bid of the singer's mother, Katherine Jackson, to obtain custody.

"I understand his mother is taking control and that is probably the best thing for them," he said. "She is a very loving, kind and gracious woman and she had a very closerelationship with Michael and a very good rapport with her grandchildren. I know the kids are fine. They are deeply saddened by what's happened but they're coping."

Lester, 50, said he does not plan to become directly involved in the children's care, even though he became their godfather at a 2003 ceremony in Las Vegas. He said Jackson also became godfather to his four children, who are badly shaken by his death.

"They are devastated, coming to terms with the fact that we'll never see this great man again," said Lester, whose eyes seem haunted by the loss of his friend.

The two first became friends some 27 years ago when Jackson's manager told Lester the singer wanted to meet him. Both shared the experience of early stardom, although Lester left show business — he is now an osteopath in this bucolic small town in southwest England — while

Jackson remained a performer until his death.

"Michael thrived on it really," Lester said. "He told me he was an illusionist, creating an illusion, and that his singing and dancing were a gift from above, that he was just the receptor of this gift. There were ups and downs to it but Michael Jackson loved being Michael Jackson, he loved the adoration he got from his fans. And he liked the trappings that came with it."

Lester said one reason he is suspicious about Jackson's

sudden death is because the singer was so enthusiastic about his upcoming return to the stage, set for July 13 at the 02 Arena in London. They spoke recently about Jackson's plans to come over to London for final rehearsals, and Lester and his family planned to be there opening night.

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"He was really fired up, really positive, really looking forward to it," said Lester. "He wouldn't tell me about the show, he said he wanted me to be surprised. He said it would be extraordinary."



A Lost Michael Jackson Tune... and His Final Concert?

Breanne L. Heldman

Los Angeles (E! Online) – Michael Jackson never got around to recording that long-awaited comeback album, but that doesn't mean there isn't plenty of material.

E! News has obtained the King of Pop's recording of "Shout"—the first of what will likely be a slew of posthumous recordings unearthed in the next few years.

The tune, which puts a distinctive Jackson twist on the Isley Brothers' seminal 1959 hit, was cowritten by the New Jersey-based team of Cyph and Crystal and recorded in the fall of 2001 at Sony Recording Studios in New York City, but was never released.

"After the recording was done, we could see him dancing to the song," Cyph, who was introduced to the star by producer Teddy Riley, tells E! News. "He really was feeling that record, but, unfortunately, the record got rail roaded by politics within the album and the dispute between M.J. and Tommy [Mottola], so it got released as a maxi single to R. Kelly's "Cry." No one's heard "Shout" in the U.S."

Jackson's last studio album, Invincible, came out in 2001. One of Jackson's biographers, Ian Halperin, claims the singer may have left more than 100 unreleased songs to his three children as a "personal legacy," according to the the Times of London.

Meanwhile, per TheWrap.com, Jackson's final Los Angeles rehearsal for his upcoming London concert series was recorded by AEG as part of his multimillion-dollar deal, and the concert promoter is reportedly planning to release it on DVD and CD as a "live concert."



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Parents file papers to administer **Jackson estate**



FILE - In this june 18, 2009 file photo, actor Johnny Depp gives thumbs up as he arrives for a special screening of the movie 'Public Enemies' in Chicago. Depp, who portrays the notorious bank robber John Dillinger in the film, drove the same streets, burst out of the same buildings and emerged from the same theater and pretended to die in the same alley where the feds plugged Dillinger more than 70 years ago. The film opens July 1, 2009.

(AP Photo/John Smierciak, File)

Depp — and Chicago — star in 'Public Enemies' film

By DON BABWIN.

Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO – Whether moviegoers buy Johnny Depp as John Dillinger or believe that public enemy No. 1 was actually a goodhearted bank robber remains to be seen.

But as "Public Enemies" opens this week, one thing that may help viewers travel back in time is that Depp drove the same streets, emerged from the same theater and pretended to die in the same alley where the feds plugged Dillinger full of lead more than 70 years ago.

Take a bow, Chicago.

The marquee may proclaim the film stars Depp, Christian Bale and Marion Cotillard, but the credits could just as easily included Chicago — and the Midwest in general.

Director Michael Mann said filming on location at spots like Chicago's Biograph Theater and Little Bohemia Lodge in Wisconsin, where a gun battle erupted between Dillingers' gang and the feds, were instrumental in bringing Dillinger's story to life. "It feels like you are there now and you know what John Dillinger's feeling," said Mann.

If the scene where Dillinger realizes the FBI are outside his window at Little Bohemia looks authentic, it may be because Depp is in the same room where Dillinger stayed, laying on the same bed and even touching some of Dillinger's things in what were Dillinger's suitcases.

Bryan Burrough, the author of the book that the film was based on, was even impressed that while playing one of the movie's news reporters who rush across the street after Dillinger is shot, he was handed a notebook and mechanical pencil that he was told were from the era.

John Russick, a Chicago History Museum curator who watched the film recently at a screening in the city, said Mann captures Chicago at the time when Dillinger was a big a star here.

"I thought they did a really great job of creating a different time in Chicago, the pace of the public scenes, the look of the architecture, the way the streets were not so floodlit the way they are today," said Russick.

Russick recalls driving up Lincoln Avenue, where the Biograph Theater still stands, and being amazed at the transformation of the street, from the jalopies parked along it to the trolly line that ran down it and the stores that lined it.

"I was driving my Honda Civic, thinking the odd thing was me in my car," said Russick, who said the filmmakers studied dozens of photographs, including many of Lincoln Avenue, from the museum's archives.

By ANTHONY McCARTNEY, **AP Entertainment Writer**

LOS ANGELES - Michael Jackson's mother asked a Superior Court judge on Monday to name her administrator of her late son's estate so she can ensure the King of Pop's three children are its beneficiaries.

The court filing states that Jackson's parents believe he died without a valid will.

Supporting Katherine Jackson in her petition bid to administer the estate was Jackson's father, Ioe Jackson

The court documents state that Katherine Jackson "intends to marshal assets of the decedent for the exclusive use of the decedent's three children — her grandchildren — after payment of debts and expenses of administration."

Earlier, Superior Court Judge Mitchell Beckloff granted Katherine Jackson's request to assume temporary guardianship of her son's children but did not immediately rule on her request to administer their estate.

Beckloff scheduled hearings for July 6 and Aug. 3 to take up the matters, including whether to also approve a request by Jackson to become permanent guardian of her son's children.

So far, a will for Michael Jackson, which might spell out his wishes for care of his children and his estate, has not surfaced.

Jackson never told his family who he had in place to handle his business affairs, a person close to the family has told The Associated Press. The person, who requested anonymity because of the delicate nature of the situation, said they were told by the singer's phalanx of advisers that he likely had a will, but it may be many years

Jackson's funeral is still in the planning stages, but his father said he would not be buried at Neverland Ranch, the sprawling playground the entertainer built in the rolling hills of Santa Barbara County.

At a news conference outside the family compound, Joe Jackson said the family was carefully considering how best to celebrate the pop star's legacy. He also said the family was waiting until they had a definitive word on the cause of



Katherine Jackson, mother of Michael Jackson, waves to reporters as she leaves the family home in Encino, California June 28, 2009. Michael Jackson, the child star turned King of Pop who set the world dancing but whose musical genius was overshadowed by a bizarre lifestyle and sex scandals, died on Thursday. He was 50.

REUTERS/Joshua Lott (UNITED STATES ENTERTAINMENT **OBITUARY**)

his son's death.

When Jackson died Thursday, he left behind three children: Michael Joseph Jackson Jr., known as Prince Michael, 12; Paris Michael Katherine Jackson, 11; and Prince Michael II, 7. The youngest son was born to a surrogate mother.

The filing lists the children as living at the Jacksons' family compound in Los Angeles' San Fernando Valley.

In her request to take over the children's estate, Jackson's mother listed its value as "unknown."

"Minor children are currently residing with paternal grandmother," the filing states in an explanation of why Katherine Jackson should be appointed guardian.

"They have a long established relationship with paternal grandmother and comfortable in her care."

The declaration states that Deborah Rowe is the mother of Jackson's two eldest children but lists her whereabouts as "unknown." A family attorney said the Jacksons haven't heard from Rowe since Michael Jackson's death.

An e-mail message sent to Rowe's attorney seeking comment wasn't immediately returned Monday.

The attorney, Marta Almli, wrote in a statement Saturday that "Ms. Rowe's only thoughts at this time have been regarding the devastating loss Michael's family has suffered. Ms. Rowe requests that Michael's family, and particularly the children, be spared such harmful, sensationalist speculation and that they be able to say goodbye to their loved one in peace."

For Jackson's youngest child, nicknamed Blanket, Monday's court filing states "None" for the mother. It also states that all three of children "have no relationship with their biological mother."

The court filings show that family attorney L. Londell McMillan has joined a team of lawyers to coordinate the family's attempts to take control of Jackson's affairs.

"I don't think there will be anybody who thinks that there is someone better" than Katherine Jackson to have custody, McMillan said Monday on NBC's "Today" show. "She is a very loving host of other grandchildren."

McMillan also said the family was "quite clearly troubled" about the circumstances surrounding Jackson's death, adding he had been healthy enough to be rehearsing for 50 upcoming concerts just days before his death.

Asked whether the family suspected foul play, McMillan said those words were "too strong an indictment."

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Wall St buoyed by oil sector, end-of-quarter buys



FILE - In this Aug. 16, 2007 file photo, the sculpture on the facade of the New York Stock Exchange is a backdrop for a Wall Street street sign. Investors are seeing a jump in oil as reason to snap up stocks, Monday June 29, 3009, in the final days of the second quarter.

(AP Photo/Richard Drew, File)

By Caroline Valetkevitch

NEW YORK (Reuters)

– Stocks rose on Monday
as higher oil prices lifted
shares of energy companies
and fund managers snapped
up this quarter's winners to
embellish their portfolios.

Energy shares were a strong performer in the quarter, and a 3.4 percent jump in the price of oil lifted them even further on Monday. Exxon Mobil Corp (XOM.N) was the Dow's top driver, rising 2.2 percent to \$70.58.

Fund managers are building up their portfolios before the quarter ends on Tuesday in a ritual known as "window dressing" by selling some of the quarter's losers and scooping up the winners. This move bolstered stocks as well.

"This has been a heck of a run," said Marc Pado, U.S. market strategist at Cantor

Fitzgerald & Co, in San Francisco. "A lot of people didn't believe and left a lot at the table. Having the right positions (and) not showing a great deal of cash, that is really the main driving force here -- the so-called window dressing.

"You can show you own the names that everyone knows did well," he said.

Financials, the day's top advancer, also led quarterly gains, followed by technology.

The S&P 500 is up 16.2 percent so far for the quarter, putting it on track for its best quarter since the fourth quarter of 1998, when the index jumped nearly 21 percent.

The Dow Jones industrial average (.DJI) gained 90.99 points, or 1.08 percent, to end at 8,529.38.

The Standard & Poor's 500

Index (.SPX) was up 8.33 points, or 0.91 percent, at 927.23. The Nasdaq Composite Index (.IXIC) was up 5.84 points, or 0.32 percent, at 1,844.06.

Shares of home builders also helped underpin the market after Credit Suisse raised its rating on KB Home (KBH.N), citing stronger orders and more attractive valuation. KB Home was up 5.1 percent at \$14.11. The Dow Jones U.S. Home Construction Index (.DJUSHB) advanced 1.5 percent.

Wall Street's eyes and ears also were on the news coverage of Bernie Madoff, who was sentenced to 150 years in prison on Monday for running what prosecutors called a \$65 billion Ponzi scheme. When Madoff's fraud was revealed last December, its scope was so brazen and so massive that it shocked investors and made everyone question their broker.

Signs of life in overseas markets helped to build optimism about the prospects for an economic recovery.

Shanghai stocks (.SSEC) reached a one-year closing high for the fourth straight session as signs of a Chinese economic recovery and ample liquidity boosted the market, bolstering investor sentiment.

Crude oil futures jumped \$2.33 to settle at \$71.49 per barrel after Nigerian militants said they attacked the country's oil facilities, which set off some concerns about supply.

An S&P energy index (.GSPE) was up 1.3 percent, while Occidental Petroleum (OXY.N) jumped 2.9 percent to \$66.13.

On the Nasdaq, Microsoft Corp (MSFT.O) advanced 2.2 percent to \$23.86 after Deutsche Bank raised its price target on the stock to \$30 from \$22.



European stock markets rallied, helped by a report that mobile phone giant Vodafone could launch a bid for the British unit of Germany's T-Mobile.

(AFP/File/Jean Ayissi)

Vodafone talk lifts European equities

LONDON (AFP) – European stock markets rallied on Monday, helped by a report that mobile phone giant Vodafone could launch a bid for the British unit of Germany's T-Mobile, traders said.

In late morning trading, London's FTSE 100 index of leading shares climbed 0.56 percent to 4,264.60 points.

Frankfurt's DAX 30 rallied 1.23 percent to 4,835.65 points and the Paris CAC 40 advanced 1.27 percent to 3,169.63 points nearing the half-way stage.

The DJ Euro Stoxx 50 index of leading eurozone shares increased 1.11 percent to 2,416.35 points.

On the foreign exchange market, the European single currency fell to 1.4012 dollars.

"European markets rose, lifted by financials and the heavyweight Vodafone after reports of a potential bid for rival T-Mobile UK," said analyst Joshua Raymond at spread-betting firm City Index.

"Overall, the markets are very quiet today. We have seen low trading volumes which signals that investors are getting ready for the summer holidays."

Britain's Vodafone, the world's biggest mobile phone company by revenue, is exploring a bid to buy T-Mobile UK, the Financial Times reported Monday. Both Deutsche Telekom and Vodafone have declined to comment on the matter.

In Frankfurt, T-Mobile shares surged 2.31 percent to 8.42 euros, while Vodafone shares gained 0.39 percent to 116.95 pence in London trade.

The FT, citing people familiar with the situation, said that Vodafone was considering making an offer or setting up a joint venture, in a move that would give it a 40-percent share of revenue paid by mobile phone users in Britain.

Currently Vodafone has a market share of about 25 percent, compared to 27 percent for O2, owned by Spain's Telefonica, 22 percent for France Telecom's Orange, 15 percent for T-Mobile and eight percent for Hutchinson Whampoa's 3.

Deutsche Telekom, which owns T-Mobile UK, has appointed JPMorgan to advise on the strategic options for the business after several years of underperformance, the FT said.

On Friday, Wall Street shares ended mixed as investors mostly locked in profits from a strong rally the previous day and turned cautious ahead of the weekend.

In Asia on Monday, Tokyo ended down 0.95 percent and Hong Kong slipped 0.39 percent, ending a three-day winning streak, as investors took profits ahead of a series of economic reports due this week.

Investors were reluctant to push shares up ahead of key economic data due this week, including monthly US jobs data and the Bank of Japan's Tankan survey of business confidence.



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While steaks and chops make up the heart of the menu, the resort's Restaurant Chef Maarten Smeets innovated unparalleled appetizers and extraordinary desserts, which helped the Sunset Grille achieve the Triple AAA's elite four-diamond status - a rare feat for steakhouses.

Sunset Grille well-known as the number one steakhouse in Aruba offers also spa cuisine, for the health conscious visitors, featuring appetizers, salads and a wide array of seafood selections.

The spa cuisine dishes are balanced enhancing

flavors with citrus, spice and herbs and taste is elevated by marinating, smoking and grilling, Smeets explains.

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'The Sunset Grille kitchen,' Smeets reveals, "uses no trans fats, and our guests," he banters, "stay healthy, wealthy and wise with our new and exciting spa cuisine."

Among the patrons favorite dishes are, the Sunset Grille's famous Chop House Martini Salad, "Shaken not Stirred;" the lobster bisque with a pastry crust, the various cuts of prime beef, the popular Rack of Lamb, Stuffed Quail and the delicious Veal Oscar. The spa cuisine features

items such as Tuna Tataki, the Spinach Salad, Chilean Seabass, grilled Swordfish and the Asian style Salmon



and Scallops served with the popular Soba Noodles.

The Sunset Grille always endeavors to exceed guests' expectations by purchasing the very best products available and preparing them in accordance with a combination of "tried and true" as well as cutting edge contemporary methods, Smeets explains.

Simply put, the Sunset Grille culinary team buys the best products, and cooks them the best way they know, refusing



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Maj. Gen. Daniel Bolfer, commander of U.S forces in Baghdad, gives symbolic key of the Iraqi Defense Ministry to Iraqi Army Lt. Gen. Aboud Gambar in charge of the capital's security in Baghdad, Iraq, Monday, June 29, 2009. U.S. combat troops will be out of Iraqi cities by Tuesday June 30 in the first step toward winding down the American war effort by the end of 2011.

Associated Press

Fireworks over Baghdad as Iraqis take over cities

KIM GAMEL
PATRICK QUINN
Associated Press Writers

BAGHDAD (AP) — Iraqi forces assumed formal control of Baghdad and other cities

Tuesday after American troops handed over security in urban areas in a defining step toward ending the U.S. combat role in the country.

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Bernard Madoff gets 150 years in prison



In this courtroom sketch, Bernard Madoff, center, is seated in front of some of his victims that spoke during his sentencing in Manhattan federal court in New York, Monday, June 29, 2009.

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LARRY NEUMEISTER TOM HAYS

Associated Press Writers

NEW YORK (AP) — Convicted Wall Street swindler Bernard Madoff was sentenced to 150 years in prison Monday for a fraud so extensive that the judge said he needed to send a message to potential imitators and to victims who demanded harsh punishment.

Scattered applause and whoops broke out in the crowded Manhattan courtroom after U.S. District Judge Denny Chin issued the maximum sentence to the 71-year-old defendant, who said he lives "in a tormented state now, knowing all the pain and suffering I've created."

Chin rejected a request by Madoff's lawyer for leniency and said he disagreed that victims of the Ponzi, or pyramid, scheme were seeking mob vengeance.

"Here the message must be sent that Mr. Madoff's crimes were extraordinarily evil and that this kind of manipulation of the system is not just a bloodless crime that takes place on paper, but one instead that takes a staggering toll," Chin said.

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U.S. says E. coli found in Nestle sample

LAUREN SHEPHERD AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration said Monday a sample of raw cookie dough collected at a Nestle USA manufacturing plant last week has tested positive for E. coli.

Nestle voluntarily recalled all Toll House refrigerated cookie dough products made at the Danville, Virginia, factory earlier this month after the FDA told Nestle it suspected consumers may have been exposed to E. coli bacteria after eating the dough raw.

The FDA and the federal Centers for Disease Control have been investigating whether the cookie dough was the source of the E. coli outbreak which has sickened 69 people in 29 states, according to the latest CDC data. E. coli is a potentially deadly germ that can cause bloody diarrhea, dehydration and, in the most severe cases, kidney failure.

The FDA says the sample of Toll House refrigerated prepackaged dough was manufactured at the plant on Feb. 10. In a statement, Nestle said the sample that tested positive came from a 16-ounce Toll House refrigerated chocolate chip cookie dough bar. The product had a "best before June 10 2009" label.

"We are very concerned about those who have become ill ... and deeply regret that this has occurred," the company said in the statement. The company also reiterated that consumers can return the recalled products to their local grocer for a full refund. FDA spokeswoman Stephanie Kwisnek says the FDA is working with the Glendale, California-based unit of Switzerland-based Nestle SA to find the source of the contamination. Nestle said it will continue to work "closely and in full cooperation" with investigation. Besides the Toll House products, Nestle also makes a variety

A package of Nestle Toll House Fudgy Brownies refrigerated cookie dough is seen in Springfield, Ill., Friday June 18, 2009. Nestle USA on Friday voluntarily recalled its Toll House refrigerated cookie dough products after a number of illnesses were reported by those who ate the dough raw. The company said the Food and Drug Administration and the Centers for Disease Control are investigating reported E. coli illnesses that might be related eating the dough.

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of refrigerated pastas and pasta sauces at the plant. The company shutdown production in the cookie dough section of the plant when it issued the



recall. That section remains closed, but the company is still manufacturing the pasta and pasta sauces in a separate section of the plant

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Souter bids goodbye to Supreme Court colleage



This July 9, 2008, file photo shows Supreme Court Justice David Souter speaks during a dedication ceremony at the State Supreme Courthouse in Concord, N.H. The U.S. Supreme Court say goodbye to Justice Souter, who has announced he will retire "when the court rises for the summer recess" Monday, June 29, 2009.

Associated Press

PETE YOST **Associated Press Writer** WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. Supreme Court Justice David Souter made a habit

of avoiding public acclaim during almost two decades in Washington.

For just a few minutes on Monday, he opened up a bit, saying in public how much his life had been enriched by the strong bonds forged with his fellow justices.

Reading aloud from a letter to his colleagues, Souter noted that he will not be sitting with the court again, but neither "will I retire from our friendship, which has held us together despite the pull of the most passionate dissent."

That pull was on display on Souter's last day, with the justice on the losing end of a 5-4 decision that white firefighters in New Haven, Connecticut, were unfairly denied promotions because of their race.

"We have agreed or contended with each other over those things that matter to decent people in a civil society," Souter wrote in his letter.

Souter's sentiments were a reply to his eight colleagues, their own that "we have all felt appeared on television, even a profound sense of loss" over his decision to retire and return home to New Hampshire.

In reply, Souter wrote that "your generous letter has touched me more than I can say."

To the extent outsiders can determine the relationships among the nine justices, the sentiments on both sides appeared heartfelt.

"Justice Souter has been and is enormously respected for his integrity, his professionalism, his civility and his decency," said longtime Washington lawyer Theodore Olson.

Olson was solicitor general in the administration of President George W. Bush and has argued dozens of cases at the Supreme Court during Souter's time at the court.

As various justices made the rounds of Washington's

donned opera costumes for a night, Souter had no use for the benefits that come with celebrity in the nation's capital.

Souter maintained a small apartment in the southwest quadrant, close to a military installation where he would jog regularly in the evenings.

At the end of each Supreme Court term, he would quickly return to the New Hampshire home that has been in his family for generations.

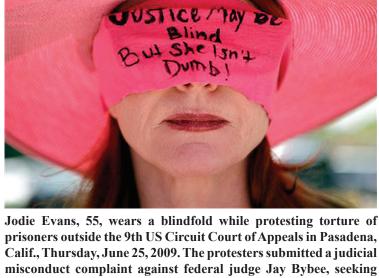
"We understand your desire to trade white marble for White Mountains," the justices wrote in their letter, which Chief Justice John Roberts read in court. The White Mountains are a chain in Souter's beloved New Hampshire.

"Your generous letter has touched me more than I can say," Souter replied.



disbarment of former assistant attorney general linked to memos on harsh interrogation techniques of detainees.

Associated Press



who told him in a letter of social scene, wrote books, **Advocacy groups want CIA** lawyers disbarred for torture

PAMELA HESS

Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Advocacy groups are asking the Washington, D.C. and New York City bar associations to disbar three government attorneys for approving and enabling the CIA program of harsh interrogation that include what many have called torture.

The groups are asking the legal panels to revoke the District of Columbia law licenses of acting CIA general counsel John Rizzo and former CIA Counterterrorism Center chief counsel Jonathan Fredman and the New York license of former CIA General Counsel Scott W. Muller.

Rizzo still is at the CIA but is due to be replaced this week. Fredman is a CIA employee currently assigned to the Office of Director of National Intelligence policy, plans, and requirements directorate. Muller is now in private practice in New York.

The groups allege that the three attorneys approved and advocated the George W. Bushera CIA interrogation program that included waterboarding, a form of simulated drowning that President Barack Obama has identified as torture.

"These lawyers have no business practicing law, especially under salary in the federal government, given their involvement in furthering the torture of detainees," said Kevin Zeese, a board member of Velvet Revolution,

a group of more than 50 organizations and hundreds of individuals who oppose the CIA's interrogation program.

The CIA is standing behind the attorneys.

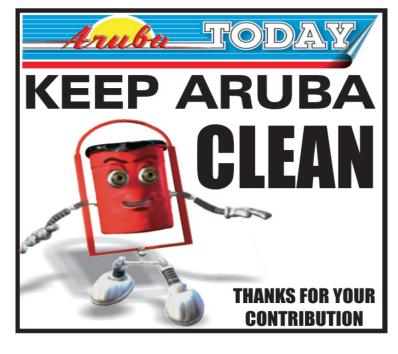
"This, to put it mildly, is something with which we do not agree," said CIA spokesman George Little.

The national intelligence director's office would not comment. Muller did not immediately respond to inquiries.

The disbarment request comes the same week the CIA is expected to release a 2004 internal report from its inspector general that criticized the interrogation program.

In May, Velvet Revolution requested the disbarment of 12 senior Bush administration officials. Among them were former Bush attorney generals John Ashcroft, Alberto Gonzales and Michael Mukasey, former Homeland Security chief Michael Chertoff and former Justice lawyers John Yoo, Jay Bybee and Stephen Bradbury, whose legal opinions provided legal justifications for harsh interrogations.

The earlier request is on hold at the Board on Professional Responsibility in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals pending a review by the Justice Department's Office of Professional Responsibility, said Bruce Fein, a former Reagan administration associate deputy attorney general now working with Velvet Revolution.



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The judge said the estimate that Madoff has cost his victims more than \$13 billion was conservative because it did not include money from feeder funds.

"Objectively speaking, the fraud here was staggering," he

Chin announced the sentence with Madoff standing at the defense table, wearing a dark suit, white shirt and a tie, and looking thinner than his last court appearance in March. He gave no noticeable reaction when the sentence was announced.

He also showed no emotion earlier in the hearing as he listened to nine victims spend nearly an hour describing their despair. Some openly wept. Others raised their voices in anger.

"Life has been a living hell. It feels like the nightmare we can't wake from," said Carla Hirshhorn.

"He stole from the rich. He stole from the poor. He stole from the in between. He had no values," said Tom Fitzmaurice. "He cheated his victims out of their money so he and his wife Ruth could live a life of luxury beyond belief."

Dominic Ambrosino called it an "indescribably heinous crime" and urged a long prison sentence so "will know he is imprisoned in much the same way he imprisoned us and others."

He added: "In a sense, I would like somebody in the court

today to tell me, how long is my sentence?"

When asked by the judge whether he had anything to say, Madoff slowly stood, leaned forward on the defense table and spoke in a monotone for about 10 minutes.

At various times, he referred to his historic fraud as a "problem," "an error of judgment" and "a tragic mistake."

He claimed he and his wife were tormented, saying she "cries herself to sleep every night, knowing all the pain and suffering I have caused," he said. "That's something I live with, as well."

He then finally looked at the victims lining the first row of the gallery.

"I will turn and face you," he said. "I'm sorry. I know that doesn't help you."

Afterward, Ruth Madoff often a target of victims' scorn since her husband's arrest broke her silence by issuing a statement through her lawyer. She said she, too, had been misled.

"I am embarrassed and ashamed," she said. "Like everyone else, I feel betrayed and confused. The man who committed this horrible fraud is not the man whom I have known for all these years."

Prosecutor Lisa Baroni said Madoffdeservedalifesentence because he "stole ruthlessly and without remorse."

The jailed Madoff already has taken a severe financial hit: Last week, a judge issued a preliminary \$171 billion forfeiture order stripping Madoff of all his personal property, including real estate, investments and \$80 million in assets Ruth Madoff had claimed were hers. The order left her with \$2.5 million.

The terms require the Madoffs to sell a \$7 million Manhattan apartment where Ruth Madoff still lives. An \$11 million estate in Palm Beach, Florida, a \$4 million home on Long Island and a \$2.2 million boat will be put on the market, as well.



Victims of disgraced financier Bernard Madoff and their supporters gather near the courthouse complex on Monday, June 29, 2009 in New York after Madoff was sentenced to 150 years in prison for his massive fraud scheme.

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Ruth Madoff says she feels 'betrayed and confused'

TOM HAYS

Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — She's been hounded by news photographers, vilified by former clients of her husband and ostracized in high society. She's also kept quiet for months — until Monday.

Ruth Madoff — memorably christened "The Loneliest Woman in New York" in a recent New York Times headline — finally spoke out after her notorious husband got a 150-year sentence that probably makes certain she'll never see him again outside of prison.

"I am breaking my silence now, because my reluctance to speak has been interpreted as indifference or lack of sympathy for the victims of my husband Bernie's crime, which is exactly the opposite of the truth," Madoff said in a statement issued through her

Prosecutors say her husband's

multibillion-dollar pyramid scheme wiped out clients of his investment advisory firm while bankrolling an extravagant lifestyle for his family, including country estates, a yacht and international travel. Mrs. Madoff, 68, hasn't been charged with a crime. But a judge's forfeiture order has stripped her of \$80 million in assets including a penthouse apartment where she still lives. That's left her with \$2.5 million that couldn't be linked to the fraud.

Since her husband's arrest late last year, negative publicity casting the Madoffs as soulless symbols of greed and excess has made her persona non grata at her regular hair salon, florist and favorite high-end eateries on the Upper East Side, the Times reported.

Her husband of nearly 50 vears came to her defense while addressing the court on Monday, saying she "cries herself to sleep every night



In this April 6, 2009 file photo, Ruth Madoff is escorted by private security as she leaves the Metropolitan Correctional Center after visiting her husband disgraced financier Bernard Madoff in New York.

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knowing of all the pain and suffering I have caused, and I am tormented by that as well"

Ruth Madoff, though not at the courthouse, later expressed her own sympathy for the victims.

"Many of my husband's investors were my close friends and family," said

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Tuesday, June 30, 2009 | POLITICS Supreme Court backs white firefighters on promotions

Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that white firefighters in New Haven, Connecticut, were denied promotions unfairly because of their race, reversing

a decision that high court

endorsed as an appeals court judge.

New Haven was wrong to scrap a promotion exam because no black firefighters and only two Hispanics were likely to be promoted to lieutenant or captain based on the results,

decision. New Haven officials said they had acted to avoid a lawsuit from minorities.

The ruling could practices employment nationwide and make it harder to prove discrimination when there is no evidence it was

Pa: Roland W. Peterson



Frank Ricci, left, lead plaintiff in the the "New Haven 20" firefighter reverse discrimination case speaks to the media outside of Federal Court in New Haven, Conn., Monday June 29, 2009. The Supreme Court ruled in a 5-4 decision that white firefighters in New Haven, Conn., were unfairly denied promotions because of their race, reversing a decision that high court nominee Sonia Sotomayor endorsed as an appeals court judge.

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"Fear of litigation alone cannot

Kennedy's opinion made only

The appellate judges have

settled" questions, in the words of another appeals court judge, Sotomayor mentor Jose Cabranes.

"This perfunctory disposition weighty issues presented by this appeal," Cabranes said, in a dissent from the full 2nd Circuit's decision not to hear the case.

In dissent, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg said Monday that the white firefighters "understandably attract this court's sympathy. But they had no vested right to promotion. Nor have other persons received promotions in preference to them."

Justices Stephen Breyer, David Souter and John Paul Stevens signed onto Ginsburg's dissent, which she read aloud

Little Ted's Bear

Little Indian Ted did not know when to write, bare, bear or beer So one day, with a little stuffed toy in his hands He rushed in the tepee and confronted his father Papa Bear with the problem

Sit down my Little Beaver his father said I will explain in bare bones (in a simple way) the bare (naked) truth And all you will need is the bare (mere) need to bear (uncover) the bareness

Once there was an Indian Chief called Great Bear, because he had a shaggy head of hair like a bear and with his bare hands killed a bear

Great Bear was always bare headed (wore nothing on his head) bare foot, (wore no sandals) and rode his pony bare back He was also bare faced (shameless) and drank a lot of beer

Little Ted barely understood Papa Bear As he stood up to leave his father said: Bear in mind Ted I am not finished yet

Great Bear had only one child called Little Bear His wife Mama Bear could not endure his bearish (rude) behavior So she did not bear him any more children Her sister aunty Bear did bear witness to this And her grandmother did bear out (confirmed) this too

Now for little Ted it is getting unbearable He is heading for a bear down (to exert pressure) with Papa Bear How long will he have to bear up (endure)

Papa Bear spills some beer on the bearskin on the floor He then explains: Beer that blows all stops is made of malt and hops If it is made with the extracts of roots it is called root beer

Now little Ted dashes like a Bison for the exit of the tepee As he leaves, Papa Bear shouts Teddy don't forget your Bear.



intentional.

justify an employer's reliance on race to the detriment of individuals who passed the examinations and qualified for rests uneasily with the promotions," Justice Anthony Kennedy said in his opinion for the court. He was joined by Chief Justice John Roberts and Justices Samuel Alito, Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas.

passing reference to the work of Sotomayor and the other two judges on the 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals who upheld a lower court ruling in favor of New Haven.

been criticized for producing a cursory opinion that failed to deal with "indisputably complex and far from well- in court Monday.

Senators want hearing on Obama's firing of IG

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two Republican senators asked Monday for a congressional hearing to look at whether President Barack Obama acted appropriately when he fired the national service agency's inspector general earlier this month.

Sens. Mike Enzi of Wyoming and Orrin Hatch of Utah said they were concerned about "significant questions raised regarding the propriety of the decision to remove the IG."

Obama fired Gerald Walpin, the inspector general who investigates AmeriCorps and other programs that are part of the Corporation for National Community Service, saying he had lost confidence in him. The firing followed an investigation by Walpin finding misuse of federal grants by a nonprofit education group led by Sacramento Mayor Kevin Johnson, who is an Obama supporter and former professional basketball star. Johnson and a nonprofit education academy he founded ultimately agreed to repay half of \$847,000 in grants it had received from AmeriCorps. Walpin was criticized by the acting U.S. attorney in Sacramento for the way he handled the investigation of Johnson and St. HOPE Academy.

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t of six-floor parking deck collapses in Atlanta

GREG BLUESTEIN

Associated Press Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — Part of a six-floor parking deck near downtown Atlanta collapsed Monday, crushing at least 35 cars, with fire officials saying it was miraculous there were no reports of injuries hours after the mass of concrete fell during a busy lunchtime.

Crews were stabilizing the building with timber supports, and firefighters were preparing to search car by car in the evening.

The deck "pancaked" from the fourth floor to the first level. More than 50 firefighters rushed to the parking deck and the bottom level was a "huge mess of vehicles and concrete," said Fire Chief Kelvin Cochran

hearts that we don't find any people inside," Cochran said at a news conference.

What caused the 7-year-old structure to collapse was not immediately known. Hardin Construction, the general contractor on the deck, was one of three companies that was working at the Atlanta Botanical Garden when a pedestrian bridge collapsed in December, killing one worker and injuring 18.

The search of the parking deck was delayed when engineers spotted signs of bolts popping on the other side of the deck, said J.P. Spillane, an Atlanta police official. A handful of welders soon entered to shore up the area. Search dogs were to ready to sniff through the rubble once the building was secure.

"We're hoping with all our "We want to be absolutely sure

the building is safe and there is no secondary collapse," Cochran said.

Firefighters will tunnel through the debris with listening devices to pick up any noise from possible victims, Cochran said.

If no one is found, he said crews will then do a "more aggressive" search using heavier equipment. The work could continue through the night.

Hardin Construction spokeswoman Barkley Russell confirmed the company was the general contractor on the deck and surrounding office complex. She said the majority of the deck work was done by subcontractor Metromont Corp., based in Greenville, South Carolina.

There are 1,415 spaces and about 35 were affected, Russell



A firefighter walks past damaged vehicles in a collapsed garage in Atlanta, Monday June 29, 2009. Part of a six-floor parking deck at a building near downtown Atlanta collapsed crushing dozens of cars, but there were no immediate reports of injuries.

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said in a statement.

"We are just thankful at this point there are no reports of injuries," Russell said.

Russell directed questions about how the deck was designed to Metromont Corp., which did not immediately return a call for comment.

Earlier this month, Hardin was fined \$6,300 by the Occupational Safety Health Administration the Botanical Garden bridge collapse. The agency's report concluded Hardin and another company placed two support towers too far apart, which may have caused the collapse. The company is appealing.

The parking deck was last inspected at the time it was built and cleared for occupancy in 2002, said Catherine Woodling, spokeswoman for Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin. It has not had any code violations since, Woodling said.

Texas officials want investigation of gay bar raid

ANGELA K. BROWN **Associated Press Writer**

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) Two city officials are seeking an investigation into a police raid at a gay nightclub that ended with the arrests of several patrons and the hospitalization of a man with a head injury.

"I've asked for as thorough a report as possible ... to reassure folks that the police are not singling out any group," Councilman Joel Burns said Monday.

He said he was particularly disappointed that the raid occurred on the 40th anniversary of New York City police raid on the Stonewall Inn. That 1969 raid touched off a riot and subsequent demonstrations that fueled the gay rights movement in the U.S.

Fort Worth Burns said police were unaware of the anniversary.

Mayor Pro Tem Kathleen Hicks, also calling for an investigation, said she was "very concerned" after hearing from patrons and others in the community about the early Sunday morning raid at the Rainbow Lounge.

More than 100 gathered outside the Tarrant County Courthouse on Sunday evening to protest what they said was police harassment and abuse.

One of those arrested during the raid, Chad Gibson, 26, remains hospitalized with bleeding on the brain, his sister Kristy Morgan said.

Gibson is not violent, and "for anyone to come back and say he did something to provoke

people this is ludicrous," she told Dallas-Fort Worth television station KDFW.

> Fort Worth police went to the Rainbow Lounge with Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission agents early Sunday as part of routine alcoholic beverage code inspections, said police Sgt. Chad Mahaffey. They first went to two other bars, where 10 people were arrested, he said.



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A countdown clock broadcast on Iraqi TV ticked to zero as the midnight deadline passed for U.S. combat troops to finish their pullback to bases outside cities.

"The withdrawal of American troops is completed now from all cities after everything they sacrificed for the sake of security," said Sadiq al-Rikabi, a senior adviser to Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki. "We are now celebrating the restoration of sovereignty."

The Pentagon did not offer any comment to mark the passing of the deadline.

Fireworks, not bombings, colored the Baghdad skyline late Monday, and thousands attended a party in a park

where singers performed patriotic songs. Loudspeakers at police stations and military checkpoints played recordings of similar tunes throughout the day, as Iraqi military vehicles decorated with flowers and national flags patrolled the capital.

"All of us are happy — Shiites, Sunnis and Kurds on this day," Waleed al-Bahadili said as he celebrated at the park. "The Americans harmed and insulted us too much."

Al-Maliki declared a public holiday and proclaimed June 30 as "National Sovereignty Day."

Midnight's handover to Iraqi forces filled many citizens with pride but also trepidation that government forces are not ready and that



Iraqi security forces celebrate in Ramadi, the capital of Anbar province, 70 miles west of Baghdad, Iraq, Monday, June 29, 2009. U.S. troops will be out of Iraqi cities by tomorrow Tuesday June 30 in the first step toward winding down the American war effort by the end of 2011.

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violence will rise. Shiites fear more bombings by Sunni militants; Sunnis fear that the Shiite-dominated Iraqi security forces will give them little protection.

If the Iraqis can hold down violence in the coming months, it will show the country is finally on the road to stability. If they fail, it will pose a challenge to President Barack Obama's pledge to end an unpopular war that has claimed the lives of more than 4,300 U.S. troops and tens of thousands of Iraqis.

The gathering at the Baghdad park was unprecedented in size for such a postwar event in a city where people tend to avoid large gatherings for fear of suicide bombers. They ignored an appeal by Vice President Tariq al-Hashemi to stay away from crowded places during the U.S. pullback, which has seen more than 250 people killed in bombings over the past 10 days.

Security at the party was

stifling, as it was throughout much of Baghdad where increased checkpoints dotted the streets and identity checks were methodical. Police using bomb sniffers searched every man, woman and child who attended the party.

In a ceremony rich with symbolism, the top U.S. military commander in Baghdad, Maj. Gen. Daniel Bolger, gave his Iraqi counterpart the keys to the former defense ministry building, which had served as a joint base.

"On the eve of the 30th of June 2009 in accord with a security agreement between Iraq and America, Iraqis take the lead in Baghdad," Bolger said.

The withdrawal, required under a U.S.-Iraqi security pact, marks the first major step toward withdrawing all American forces from the country by Dec. 31, 2011. Obama has said all combat troops will be gone by the end of August 2010.

Despite Tuesday's formal pullback, some U.S. troops will remain in the cities to train and advise Iraqi forces. U.S. troops will return to the cities only if asked. The U.S. military will continue combat operations in rural areas and near the border, but only with the Iraqi government's permission.

The U.S. has not said how many troops will be in the cities in advisory roles, but the vast majority of the more than 130,000 U.S. forces remaining in the country will be in large bases scattered outside cities.

There have been some worries that the 650,000-member Iraqi military is not ready to maintain stability and deal with a stubborn insurgency.

Privately, many U.S. officers worry the Iraqis will be overwhelmed if violence surges, having relied for years on the Americans for nearly everything.

"We think they are ready," U.S. Ambassador Christopher Hill told The Associated Press in an interview Monday. He said his main concern was that a lack of progress in efforts to reconcile Shiite, Sunnis and Kurds was feeding the violence that still marks the daily lives of many Iraqis.





Leaders from Obama to Chavez blast Honduras coup

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Associated Press Writers

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — Police and soldiers clashed with thousands of protesters outside Honduras' national palace Monday, leaving at least 15 people injured, as world leaders from Barack Obama to Hugo Chavez demanded the return of a president ousted in a military coup.

Leftist leaders pulled their ambassadors from Honduras and Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega said El Salvador, Nicaragua and Guatemala would cut trade with neighboring Honduras for at least 48 hours. Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez called for Hondurans to rise up against those who toppled his ally, Manuel Zelaya.

"We're ready to support the rebellion of the Honduran people," Chavez said. He later vowed to halt Venezuelan oil shipments to Honduras and called for its soldiers to rise up against "that tyrannical, puppet government."

Protests outside the presidential palace grew from hundreds to thousands, and soldiers and police advanced behind riot shields, using tear gas to scatter the protesters. The demonstrators, many of them choking on the gas, hurled rocks and bottles as they retreated. At least 38 protesters were detained, according to human rights prosecutor Sandra Ponce.

Red Cross paramedic Cristian Vallejo said he had transported 10 protesters to hospitals, most of them with injuries from rubber bullets. An Associated Press photographer in another area saw protesters carrying away another five injured people. It was not clear how they were hurt.

Officers also briefly detained four journalists from the AP and three from Venezuela-based Telesur, arresting them at their hotel with rifles drawn, loading them in a military vehicle and taking them to an immigration office, where two officials demanded to see their visas. The group was released a short time later.

In Washington, Obama said



Cuba's President Raul Castro, left, looks at ousted Honduras' President Manuel Zelaya, center, while Zelaya hands Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez, right, a mobile phone to answer a call during the Central American Integration System, or SICA, summit in Managua, Monday, June 29, 2009. The Organization of American States called an emergency meeting for Tuesday to consider suspending Honduras under an agreement meant to prevent the sort of coups that for generations made Latin America a spawning ground of military dictatorships.

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the United States will "stand on the side of democracy" and work with other nations and international groups to resolve the matter peacefully.

"We believe that the coup was not legal and that President Zelaya remains the democratically elected president there," Obama said. "It would be a terrible precedent if we start moving backwards into the era in which we are seeing military coups as a means of political transition rather than democratic elections," he added. "The region has made enormous progress over the last 20 years in establishing democratic traditions. ... We don't want to go back to a dark past."

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Zelaya was to address the U.N. General Assembly on Tuesday to seek support from its 192 member nations.

The new government, however, was defiant.

Roberto Micheletti, named by Congress to serve out the final seven months of Zelaya's term, vowed to ignore foreign pressure.

"We respect everybody and we ask only that they respect us and leave us in peace because the country is headed toward free and transparent general elections in November," Micheletti told HRN radio.

He insisted Zelaya's ouster was legal and accused the former president himself of violating the constitution by sponsoring a referendum that was outlawed by the Supreme Court. Many saw the foiled vote as a step toward eliminating barriers to his re-election, as other Latin American leaders have done in recent years.

Despite the protests at the palace, daily life appeared normal in most of the capital, with nearly all businesses open. Some expressed relief at the departure of Zelaya, who alienated the courts, Congress, the military and even his own party in his tumultuous three years in power.

"A coup d'etat is undemocratic and you never want to support it, but in the case of this guy and his government, maybe so," said Roberto Cruz, a 61year-old metalworker.

But Zelaya retains the loyalty of many of Honduras' poor, for having raised the minimum wage and blaming the country's problems on the rich — despite the considerable wealth he enjoys as a successful rancher.

Farmworker Jesus Almendares, 30, said he was skipping work to protest the coup.

"It's a tremendous shame, yet another proof that the armed forces control the country — they and the businessmen," he said

Zelaya was arrested in his pajamas Sunday morning by soldiers who stormed his residence and flew him into exile. A day later, back in suit and tie, he sat beside Chavez and other allies at a Nicaragua meeting of the nine-nation ALBA alliance, which agreed to pull its ambassadors from Honduras and reject the replacement government's envoys.

Zelaya received a standing ovation from many of the gathered Latin American leaders before his speech. He said the coup only proved the needto transform the Honduran system of government, apparently referring to the

constitutional changes he had been promoting.

"A lot of times problems like this crisis serve to propel transformation and change," he said.

Recalling his detention, he said his daughter hid under her bed for 35 minutes while masked soldiers burst in to the residence and searched for him. He was on the phone with a media outlet when the soldiers ordered him to drop the cell phone, he said

He said the soldiers were shaking as they pointed their guns because they were "facing the president of the republic, and they knew it."

"I said, I'm not going to drop it. If you have been ordered to shoot, then shoot," Zelaya said.

He said the soldiers simply yanked the phone from his hand.

Venezuela's Chavez told the gathered leaders that "it's the moment to act" to restore Zelaya. "I'll do everything possible to overthrow this gorilla government of Honduras. It must be overthrown," the socialist leader said.

While Obama said Zelaya is still president, U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton hedged on that point at an earlier news conference, suggesting that both the ousted president and his foes should make compromises.

Asked if the administration would insist that Zelaya be restored to power, she said: "We haven't laid out any demands that we're insisting on, because we're working with others on behalf of our ultimate objectives."

Mexico's government, one of the most conservative in Latin America, joined leftists in denouncing the coup and offered protection to Zelaya's exiled foreign minister.

The president of Latin America's largest nation, Brazil's Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva, said on his weekly radio program that his country will not recognize any Honduran government that doesn't have Zelaya as president "because he was directly elected by the vote, complying with the rules of democracy."

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Flames engulf the area where a freight train derailed and two cars filled with gas exploded just outside a station of Viareggio, in northern Italy, early Tuesday, June 30, 2009.

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Freight train derails

Kills six in Italy ARIEL DAVID

Associated Press Writer

ROME (AP) — Two cars filled with liquefied natural gas exploded when a freight train derailed in the middle of a small Italian town, setting off an inferno that killed at least six people and injured 50 others, officials said Tuesday. The train cars plowed into several homes just outside the rail station in the Tuscan seaside town of Viareggio, collapsed a building and set fire to a vast area.

Five people were killed when their house collapsed, while a sixth victim was riding a scooter along the rail line when the train derailed, said Raffaele Gargiulo, a police spokesman in the nearby city of Lucca, which is in charge of the smaller town of Viareggio.

Lucca's top government Prefect Carmelo official, Aronica, told Italy's RAI state TV that at least 50 people were injured, 35 of whom were hospitalized with severe burns.

Videos uploaded on YouTube showed a huge plume of fire and smoke towering above Viareggio's low houses. Images from the scene showed an inferno raging in the night, consuming buildings and cars, while the sound of sirens and explosions pierced the air.

The train coming from the northern city of La Spezia and heading for Pisa derailed just before midnight Monday shortly after passing through Viareggio's train station, Gargiulo said.

and the resulting explosion The train's two engineers were only lightly injured and were questioned in the hospital, saying they felt an impact some 650 feet outside the station, shortly before the rear of the train flew off the tracks, Gargiulo said.

> Gargiulo told The Associated Press by telephone that the incident may have been caused by damage to the tracks or a problem with the train's braking system.

> Firefighters chief Antonio Gambardella told RAI that the blaze was being contained but there was still the risk that other train cars containing gas would explode. Hazardous materials teams specialized in dealing with nuclear, biological and chemical threats were being brought in to help.

> Firefighters were battling flames while digging through the rubble of collapsed or burnt homes looking for casualties. Gambardella said. adding that there could be more victims. The ANSA news agency reported that three children were pulled alive from the rubble of their collapsed home shortly before daybreak Tuesday.

Haiti president's party picks up five Senate seats

JONATHAN M. KATZ Associated Press Writer

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti - President Rene Preval's party won five of 11 contests to fill open Senate seats, according to preliminary results released Monday by the provisional electoral council.

Five other parties won one seat each in the June 21 run-off elections. One seat wasn't filled because voting was canceled in the central plateau region after political violence.

The result was a good one for Preval, giving his Lespwa party 12 seats in the 30member body, including the nonvoting presidency. That could give him a boost for planned economic reforms sought by the U.S. and other aid donors and for constitutional changes to increase presidential powers that have been limited in the wake of Haiti's dictatorships. But at least four sitting senators have threatened to try to block the seating of the victors because of extremely





A man votes during legislative elections in Port-au-Prince, Sunday, June 21, 2009. Election officials flew street banners and sent text messages to encourage a big turnout for Haiti's hotly anticipated Senate run-offs, but very few in the capital city were voting Sunday.

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low voter turnout in the runoffs and alleged fraud in April's first round.

Turnout in the latest voting was even lower than the 11 percent tallied in the first round. No official percentage has been reported for the June 21 elections, but there were 12,640 fewer valid ballots cast than in April.

On election day, residents of the capital, Port-au-Prince, cited frustration with leaders who have failed to lift them from poverty as their reason for not voting. Many were angry over Preval's opposition to a \$3-a-day increase in the minimum wage. Fear also was high after weeks of protests and political party clashes that left several dead.

Another obstacle to getting voters out was a boycott by

oustedPresidentJean-Bertrand Aristide's Fanmi Lavalas party, whose candidates were barred from running.

low turnout could complaints by the government's opponents that it has stumbled in developing Haiti as a democracy. The 11 Senate seats in play have been vacant for more than a year, with elections postponed repeatedly since late 2007.

Another round of legislative elections is scheduled for later this year, but officials say it is likely the balloting will be postponed.

Campaigning has already begun for Haiti's 2010 presidential election. Preval, who previously served as president from 1995 to 2000, has said he will not seek a third term.

Shanghai holds 9 linked with building collapse

By ELAINE KURTENBACH

Associated Press Writer

SHANGHAI – Shanghai authorities are holding nine people in an investigation into the collapse of a nearly finished 13-story apartment building, the government said Monday after the latest in a string of accidents that have plagued the country's construction boom.

The incident Saturday killed one worker and was an embarrassment for Shanghai's leaders as they prepare to showcase the city, one of China's wealthiest and most modern, during the 2010 World Expo.

Elsewhere, one man died after part of a bridge in northeastern China caved in early Monday, sending eight vehicles plunging into the river below.

China's construction sector has long been plagued with quality problems. Thousands of students died when schools collapsed during last year's earthquake in Sichuan province, raising complaints from parents and others who accused builders of cutting corners to boost profits.

Collapsing bridges, highways and buildings in China have often been linked to endemic corruption, as officials and contractors skimp on construction materials or issue approvals without proper inspections. Such problems are more common in rural areas and inland provinces than in major cities like Shanghai, where controls usually are more rigorously enforced.

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Myanmar appeals court bars two witnesses for Suu Kyi

 Myanmar's highest court rejected an appeal Monday by Aung San Suu Kyi's lawyers to reinstate two key witnesses in a trial that could send the prodemocracy leader to prison for five years.

High Court judge Tin Aung Aye rejected the appeal because it was "intended to disturb and delay the trial," court officials said on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to the media.

The court's ruling means only two people will testify in Suu Kyi's defense at her trial, which resumes Friday, and that a verdict could be reached in a week or two.

The 64-year-old Nobel Peace laureate is charged with violating the terms of her house arrest when uninvited American man swam secretly to her lakeside home and stayed for two days.

"This is very unfair. The court had allowed 14 prosecution witnesses but only allowed two from

Win, one of Suu Kyi's lawyers. "We tried our best to have the trial conducted according to the law but it has failed."

After the testimony by Khin Moe Moe — a lawyer and member of Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy — on Friday at the District Court inside Insein prison, the court will have one more session for the lawyers' final arguments before rendering judgment, he explained.

The trial has drawn outrage from world leaders and human rights groups who say Myanmar's junta is using the incident as an excuse to keep the country's opposition leader behind bars through elections scheduled for 2010. Suu Kyi has been in detention for more than 13 of the last 19 years.

The court at first had allowed only one of four defense witnesses to take the stand. On appeal, the Yangon Divisional Court ruled that Khin Moe Moe also could be heard.

Suu Kyi's lawyers pursued the defense," said Nyan a second and final appeal to

reinstate barred witnesses Win Tin and Tin Oo, both senior members of her party.

Prosecutors argued that Win Tin, a prominent former journalist and expolitical prisoner, should not be allowed to testify because he is critical of the government and often gave interviews to foreign media, said Nyan Win. The defense team argued there was no law in the tightly ruled country that bars court testimony from government critics.

Meanwhile, prosecutors said that Tin Oo, the party's deputy leader, should not be barred because he is under house arrest, Nyan Win said. Defense lawyers told the court that Suu Kyi herself was under house arrest but that didn't stop authorities from putting her on trial. Suu Kyi was allowed to testify May 26.

She is currently detained at Insein prison as is John William Yettaw, 53, of Falcon. Missouri, intruder who is charged with trespassing.

He has pleaded not guilty

In this May 6, 2002 file photo, Aung San Suu Kyi walks with friends and family members at the Shwedagon Pagoda in Yangon, Myanmar. Myanmar's highest court Monday rejected an appeal by lawyers of Aung San Suu Kyi to reinstate two key witnesses in a trial that could send the pro-democracy leader to five years in

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Yemen official: Comoros-bound plane crashes

By AHMED AL-HAJ Associated Press Writer

SAN'A, Yemen – A Yemenia Air plane going from the Arabian Peninsula country of Yemen to the island nation of Comoros has crashed in the Indian Ocean, a Yemen airport official said Tuesday.

The official said the plane was going from the Yemen capital San'a to Moroni, on the main island of Grand Comore.

It was not known how many passengers were on board the Airbus 310 or the status

of the passengers and crew.

The official said most of the passengers on the plane were believed to be Comoros residents returning from Paris.

The official was speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to the media.

The Comoros is an archipelago of three main islands situated about 1,800 miles south of Yemen, between Africa's southeastern coast and Madagascar.





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Murray edges Wawrinka under Wimbledon's roof

HOWARD FENDRICH

AP Tennis Writer

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — They played into the night on Centre Court, later than anyone ever had in Wimbledon's long history, and they played indoors, the first match contested entirely under the new roof.

And at 10:39 p.m. Monday, when No. 3-seeded Andy Murray of Britain finally finished off a 2-6, 6-3, 6-3, 5-7, 6-3 victory over No. 19 Stanislas Wawrinka of Switzerland to reach the quarterfinals at the All England Club, the partisan fans celebrated their guy's victory with quite a roar.

"It was pretty special," said Murray, who dropped to his knees when the match ended, folded his body forward, then stood and swatted a ball straight up so hard it hit the



Stanislas Wawrinka, right of Switzerland and Andy Murray, left of Britain during their fourth round singles match on centre court at Wimbledon, Monday, June 29, 2009.

Associated Press

roof.

No man from Britain has won Wimbledon since Fred Perry in 1936, and, like his countrymen, Murray — a 22-year-old from Scotland — is interested in that sort of history, rather than the sort he and Wawrinka made Monday. Still, these circumstances were rather extraordinary, what with Centre Court's roof shut, the lights on and a chance to play the match until its rightful conclusion, no matter how late it carried on. That's never before been the case at Wimbledon, where unlike at the U.S. Open, for example, there never have been lighted courts, and matches often are stopped in progress because of darkness not much beyond 9 p.m. Previously, no Centre Court point ever had been played later than 9:35 p.m.

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In this May 8, 2009, file photo, Houston Rockets center Yao Ming (11), of China, walks off the court following the team's loss to the Los Angeles Lakers in Game 3 of a second-round Western Conference NBA basketball playoff series in Houston. Yao's broken left foot could be a "career-threatening" injury. Dr. Tom Clanton, the Houston Rockets' team physician, told the Houston Chronicle on Monday, June 29, 2009, that Yao's injury "has the potential for him missing this next season and could be career-threatening."

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Reports: Yao Ming may miss season

HOUSTON (AP) — Rockets center Yao Ming's broken left foot could be a "career-threatening" injury.

Dr. Tom Clanton, the Houston Rockets' team physician, told the Houston Chronicle on Monday that Yao's injury "has the potential for him missing this next season and could be careerthreatening."

Yahoo! Sports first reported the Rockets and Yao's representatives were concerned the 7-foot-6 All-Star would never play again. Yahoo! Sports quoted "multiple league executives, officials close to Yao and two doctors with knowledge of the diagnoses."

Yao suffered a hairline fracture of the tarsal navicular bone late in a May 8 playoff game against the Los Angeles Lakers. The team said last week the injury hasn't healed and he was out indefinitely. Yao played in 77 regular-season games in 2008-09, his most injury-free year since 2004-05, when he played in 80. Before last season, Yao missed chunks of previous three seasons with leg and foot injuries.

He missed 21 games in 2005-06 after surgery to heal an infection to his left big toe, then broke a bone in his left foot with four games left in the regular season.

In 2006-07, Yao missed 32 games after breaking his right leg and he suffered a stress fracture in his left foot in 2007-08, underwent surgery and sat out 26 games.

Yao hurried back from that foot injury to represent China in the Beijing Games. He made it through the Rockets' season and the first round of the playoffs before breaking his left foot late in the Rockets' 108-94 loss to the Lakers in Game 3 of the second round at the Toyota Center.

Court takes case over licensing of NFL apparel

WASHINGTON – The Supreme Court agreed Monday to decide whether the National Football League and its 32 teams can enter an exclusive licensing deal with a maker of team jerseys and other gear without violating federal antitrust law.

The court said it will hear an appeal from American Needle Inc., of Buffalo Grove, Ill., that challenges an agreement the NFL struck with Reebok International Ltd. American Needle had been one of many firms that manufactured NFL headwear until the league granted an exclusive contract to Reebok in 2001.

The NFL won the case in the federal appeals court in Chicago. But it also asked the Supreme Court to hear the case in a quest for a more sweeping decision that could put an end to what the league considers costly, frivolous antitrust lawsuits.

The case concerns whether the league is essentially a "single entity" that can act collectively or 32 distinct businesses that must be careful about running afoul of antitrust laws by working too closely together.

Other than Major League Baseball, which has an antitrust exemption dating to 1922, the other sports leagues have an intense interest in the case. The National Basketball Association and the National Hockey League both asked the court to rule in favor of the NFL.

Reebok was acquired by Adidas AG in 2006 in a \$3.8 billion deal that helped the German company expand in the United States

The case will be argued late this year or early in 2010.

The case is American Needle v. National Football League, 08-661

MLB Roundup

Mariano Rivera earns 500th save, Yankees beat Mets

NEW YORK (AP)—Mariano Rivera earned his 500th save, becoming the second reliever to reach the milestone, as the New York Yankees beat the Mets 4-2 on Sunday night for a Subway Series sweep.

Chien-Ming Wang won for the first time in more than a year and Rivera got four outs, securing the Yankees' fifth consecutive victory — all away from home.

In a twist on a night that belonged to him, Rivera even contributed offensively by drawing a bases-loaded walk from Francisco Rodriguez in the ninth for his first career RBI. It was the third regular-season plate appearance for the 39-year-old closer — and second in five days.

Mark Teixeira hit a two-run double off Livan Hernandez (5-3) in a three-run first.

At Atlanta, homers by Chipper Jones and Garret Anderson carried the Atlanta Braves past Boston 2-1 on Sunday, preventing a Red Sox sweep. Pitching dominated the weekend series, with the teams combining for only nine runs in three games.

Rookie Tommy Hanson threw six scoreless innings, limiting Boston to two hits on another sweltering day at Turner Field and extending his scoreless streak to 20 innings.

Jones hit his first homer since June 8, the defending NL batting champion's average slipping from .335 to .289 during his slide.

At Houston, Brandon Inge hit a two-run homer off Jose Valverde with two outs in the ninth inning as the Tigers averted a sweep against the Astros.

Kaz Matsui's RBI double off Edwin Jackson in the seventh gave Houston a 3-2 lead.

Tim Byrdak retired two batters in relief of Russ Ortiz in the eighth and Valverde (0-2) started the ninth, looking for his seventh save. Placido Polanco and Miguel Cabrera each flied out before Valverde walked Marcus Thames.

Inge then drove a 1-0 pitch over the left-field wall for his 18th home run

Royals 3, Pirates 2

At Pittsburgh, Kansas City Royals kept the Pirates from sweeping an interleague series for the first time since 2001.

David DeJesus hit a solo homer off Charlie Morton (0-1) and drove in two runs to support Zack Greinke (10-3), who gave up seven hits in 6 1-3 innings ahead of the 59-minute rain delay.

Rays 5, Marlins 2

At St. Petersburg, Florida, David Price allowed one run over 6 1-3 innings as the Rays beat the Marlins to complete a three-game sweep.

Price gave up two hits, five walks and had four strikeouts. The first overall pick in the 2007 amateur draft was coming off a pair of losses in which the left-hander was touched for 15 runs and 17 hits in 11 1-3 innings.

B.J. Upton homered for the Rays, who have won five in a row.

AtCleveland, Brandon Phillips celebrated his 28th birthday by leading the Reds over his former team.

Phillips broke out of a 1-for-16 slump with three hits, three runs and three RBIs as the Reds took two of three from their Ohio rivals to move back to .500 overall. Ramon Hernandez also had three hits and three RBIs for Cincinnati.



New York Yankees closer Mariano Rivera delivers in the ninth inning of the Yankees' 4-2 victory over the New York Mets in an interleague baseball game at Citi Field in New York, Sunday, June 28, 2009. It was Rivera's 500th career save.

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At Toronto, Chase Utley hit atwo-run triple as the Phillies held on to edge the Blue Jays. Chan Ho Park pitched two perfect innings before the Blue Jays threatened in the eighth against Ryan Madson. A single, an error and a two-out intentional walk loaded the bases for pinch-hitter Russ Adams, who popped out.

At Baltimore, John Lannantook a four-hitter into the eighth inning and Adam Dunn hit a colossal home run as the Nationals defeated the Orioles to avoid a three-game sweep.

Willie Harris also homered for the Nationals, and Josh Willingham had three hits and scored twice.

AtChicago, John Dankspitched seven shutout innings and Chris Getz stole home against Carlos Zambrano as the Chicago White Sox got another run on a bases-loaded infield fly rule to beat the Cubs.

Danks (6-6) allowed four hits and reliever Scott Linebrink completed the shutout as the White Sox won two of three before sellout crowds at U.S. Cellular Field. The teams split two games at Wrigley Field last week and still have a makeup game to play from a rainout in that earlier series.

At St. Louis, Francisco Liriano pitched seven strong innings and Justin Morneau hit a three-run home run in the Twins' win.

Joe Mauer singled his first two at bats for the Twins to hike his average to .400 before a double-play ball, a groundout and a strikeout dropped him to .394. Jason Kubel had three hits and an RBI and Brendan Harris had two RBIs to help Minnesota take two of three from St. Louis.

AtLosAngeles, Jose Lopezhad three hits including a two-run double as the Mariners beat the Dodgers.

In other interleague games it was, Cincinnati 8, Cleveland 1; Philadelphia 5, Toronto 4; Atlanta 2, Boston 1; Kansas City 3, Pittsburgh 2; Washington 5, Baltimore 3; Tampa Bay 5, Florida 2; Chicago White Sox 6, Chicago Cubs 0; Detroit 4, Houston 3; San Francisco 7, Milwaukee 0; Minnesota 6, St. Louis 2; Colorado 3, Oakland 1; L.A. Angels 12, Arizona 8; Seattle 4, L.A. Dodgers 2; N.Y. Yankees 4, N.Y. Mets 2; and San Diego **2, Texas 0.** □

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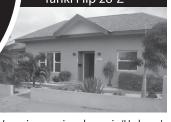
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Perry wins Travelers Championship

PAT EATON-ROBB

Associated Press Writer

CROMWELL, Connecticut (AP) — Kenny Perry shot 63 to finish with a tournament-record 258 and win the Travelers Championship by three strokes over Paul Goydos and David Toms.

The 48-year old Perry, who led after each of the first two rounds, trailed by a stroke to Paul Goydos heading into Sunday.

But he shot 32 on the front nine and was up by five strokes heading to the par-4 15th.

Goydos made a 20-foot eagle putt from the fringe on 15 and birdied 16. But he missed his birdie putt on 17 to the right. Perry birdied 15, and put the tournament away by making birdie on 17 after hitting a 164 yard approach to within 8 feet. His bogey-bogey finish at Augusta kept him from winning the Masters in April. "Everyone kind of asks about the Augusta hangover deal," he said. "I guess I kind of shoved that aside a little bit. So that makes me feel pretty good."

Perry acknowledged he was thinking about the Masters as he played the back nine, and told himself to play aggressive.

"I knew that I had to keep making birdies," he said. "I wasn't going to let up. I wasn't going to play defensive golf. I learned something from that mistake."

Goydos said he felt he needed



Kenny Perry kisses the trophy after winning the Travelers Championship golf tournament at TPC at River Highlands golf course in Cromwell, Conn., Sunday, June 28, 2009. Perry won with a 22-under par 258.

Associated Press

to shoot a 63 to win the tournament, but didn't start playing well until the 15th hole.

"I don't want to run and hide from that," he said. "He played like a guy who's won 14 times. I played more like a guy who's won twice, especially early in the round."

Goydos made a 40-foot putt on the seventh hole, but gave two shots back when he bogeyed the par-3 eighth. Perry hit his tee shot to within 3 feet of the pin, and made birdie.

He went four strokes up by sinking a 16-foot birdie on the 10th, while Goydos had another bogey.

Perry takes home just over \$1 million with the victory, and has now won five times in just over a year, the most of any player on tour. He has 12 top-10 finishes over that span while making every cut. His 258 is tied for fourth-best 72-hole score in Tour history. It beats the old tournament record of 259 set by Tim Norris is 1982.

The win also moves Perry to the front of the FedEx Cup standings. It was his 14th career victory, and he said he's hoping to get 20 wins before he retires.

"It's a pretty unrealistic goal," he said. I just kind of threw that number out there to see everyone's eyes roll into the back of their heads."

Toms, 42, shot his third 65 of the tournament to finish tied with Goydos at 19-under par. He missed a 12-foot birdie putt on 17, after making birdies at 15 and 16 to put himself into contention.



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Roger Federer of Switzerland acknowledge the crowd after defeating Philipp Kohlschreiber of Germany during their third round singles match on centre court at Wimbledon, Friday, June 26, 2009.

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"I'll have a pretty deep sleep after that one," Murray said. At a tournament that began in 1877, not a single point had been contested indoors until earlier Monday, when a light sprinkle interrupted No. 1-ranked Dinara Safina's 4-6, 6-3, 6-4 victory over 2006 champion Amelie Mauresmo. After the fifth game of the second set, the translucent roof above the main stadium was closed, and Safina and Mauresmo finished up underneath — even though by the time they resumed, the rain had stopped.

Because forecasts called for later showers (none arrived), organizers left the contraption sealed for Murray-Wawrinka, which turned out to be a fortuitous decision, even if Murray found the conditions "very, very heavy and very humid; sweating so much. ... When I finished, it was like I'd been in a bath."

All in all, though, the day's last match provided far more excitement than the generally open-and-shut cases that dominated the rest of the fourth round.

Five-time Wimbledon champion Roger Federer won easily, as did two-time runner-up Andy Roddick and No. 4 Novak Djokovic. Venus Williams, like Federer chasing a sixth title at the All England Club, was way ahead when her opponent, former No. 1 Ana Ivanovic, quit with a thigh injury. Williams' younger sister Serena, herself a two-time Wimbledon champion, and No. 4 Elena Dementieva were never challenged in their straight-set victories.

One surprising run ended in the fourth round. Melanie Oudin, a 17-year-old qualifier from Marietta, Georgia, who never won a Grand Slam match before last week, lost to No. 11 Agnieszka Radwanska of Poland 6-4, 7-5.

"It's always difficult to play someone who you don't know," said Radwanska, who did not appear to have any difficulty Monday, but might find the road rougher Tuesday.

That's when she will play in the quarterfinals against Venus Williams, who has won 18 consecutive matches at Wimbledon and is trying to become the first woman since Steffi Graf in 1991-93 to win the tournament three years in a row.

Tuesday's other matches are No. 2 Serena Williams against No. 8 Victoria Azarenka of Belarus, Dementieva against unseeded Francesca Schiavone of Italy, and Safina against unseeded Sabine Lisicki of Germany.

The men get a day off before their quarterfinals Wednesday, when the matchups will be No. 2 Federer vs. No. 22 Ivo Karlovic of Croatia, Murray vs. 2003 French Open champion Juan Carlos Ferrero, Djokovic vs. No. 24 Tommy Haas, and Roddick vs. 2002 Wimbledon champion Lleyton Hewitt, who lost the first two sets but came back to beat No. 23 Radek Stepanek 4-6, 2-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-2.

"Lleyton and I have built up a very healthy respect for one another throughout the years," said Roddick, who smacked 24 aces, never faced a break point and eliminated No. 20 Tomas Berdych 7-6 (4), 6-4, 6-3. "We're a couple of the old guys now."

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MLS Roundup

Dunivant goal ends Houston's unbeaten streak

CARSON, California (AP) — Todd Dunivant scored in the 24th minute Sunday in a 1-0 win for Los Angeles Galaxy that ended the Houston Dynamo's 11-match unbeaten streak.

Dunivant scored his first goal in three years when he deflected Mike Magee's 14-yard shot inside the right post from seven yards.

Bryan Jordan had a chance to score for the Galaxy (3-3-9) on a breakaway in second-half stoppage time, but goalkeeper Pat Onstad blocked his point-blank shot near the penalty spot.

Los Angeles won without forward Landon Donovan, who scored a goal for the United States in its 3-2 loss to Brazil in the FIFA Conferations Cup final in South Africa.

Sounders 3, Rapids 0

At Seattle, Nate Jaqua scored two second-half goals and Fredy Montero scored for the fourth straight game to help the Sounders end the Colorado Rapids' club-record unbeaten streak at eight games.

Goalkeeper Kasey Keller had his fifth shutout for Seattle (6-3-7), which hasn't lost in four games and stayed ahead of the Rapids (5-3-6) for third place in the Western Conference.

Jaqua assisted on Montero's goal, which gave Seattle a 1-0 lead in the 35th minute. Freddie Ljungberg drove a corner from the right side into the middle of the penalty area, where Jaqua leaped and sent a twisting header toward the left post. Montero headed it into the back left corner.

Jaqua scored in the 48th and 68th minutes.

Colorado's Ugo Ihemelu missed a penalty in the 35th minute.

WNBA Roundup

Zellous leads Shock over Monarchs

The Associated Press

AUBURN HILLS, Michigan (AP) — Shavonte Zellous scored 18 points to lead the Detroit Shock to an 86-72 victory over the Sacramento Monarchs on Sunday, giving Rick Mahorn his first win as a head coach.

Deanna Nolan had 14 points as the Shock snapped a four-game losing streak. Mahorn had lost three since replacing Bill Laimbeer on June 15. Rebekkah Brunson scored 16 points for Sacramento (1-7), which lost its fifth straight.

Detroit took control by outscoring the Monarchs 23-11 in the second quarter to take a 47-28 halftime lead.

Sparks 82, Storm 55

At Los Angeles, Marie Ferdinand-Harris scored a season-high 15 points to lift short-handed Los Angeles past Seattle.

Lauren Jackson was held to nine points on 3-of-10 shooting for Seattle, which didn't have a player in double figures.

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Depuesto presidente Zelaya de Honduras invitado hablar en asamblea ONU

NACIONES (Reuters) - El depuesto presidente hondureño Manuel Zelaya tiene previsto dirigirse el martes a la Asamblea General de Naciones Unidas, dijeron el lunes funcionarios. El portavoz de la ONU Enrique Yeves sostuvo que Zelaya se dirigirá a la entidad compuesta por 192 naciones a las 1100 EDT (1500 GMT) y agregó que el derrocado mandatario izquierdista recibió una invitación del presidente de la asamblea, Miguel D'Escoto.

El Ejército de Honduras detuvo a Zelaya y voló junto a él a Costa Rica el domingo, en medio de una disputa por el intento de Zelaya de reformar la Constitución del país centroamericano para obtener una reelección.

Más temprano el lunes, el presidente de la Asamblea General, Miguel D'Escoto, dijo que le había escrito a Zelaya para que fuera a Naciones Unidas y hablara "lo más pronto posible y dar un reporte actualizado de los eventos en su país".

D'Escoto, un ex ministro de Relaciones Exteriores en el Gobierno sandinista de izquierda de Nicaragua



El presidente Dabiel Ortega de Nicaragua, el mandatario de Honduras, Manuel Zelaya, el venezolano Hugo Chávez, y el presidente de Ecuador, Rafael Correa, conversan al final de una reunión en Managua, 28 jun 2009. El presidente de la Asamblea General de Naciones Unidas, Miguel D'Escoto, dijo el lunes que había invitado al mandatario destituido de Honduras Manuel Zelaya a dirigirse a la asamblea 'lo más pronto posible'. REUTERS/Tomas Stargardter

en la década de 1980 y un fuerte partidario de los gobiernos izquierdistas de Latinoamérica, hablaba en una sesión de la asamblea que se había reunido para discutir el golpe en Honduras.

D'Escoto dijo que el objetivo de la sesión era "considerar formas de garantizar una pacífica restauración del Gobierno legítimo del presidente Zelaya en las próximas horas y días".

El funcionario instó a la asamblea de 192 naciones a "denunciar a los responsables (del golpe) con la suficiente unanimidad como para que ningún régimen militar en Honduras pueda soportar las críticas y el rechazo de

todo el mundo". Yeves dijo que la misión hondureña de la ONU estaba preparando una resolución sobre el golpe que sería presentada a la Asamblea General después del discurso de Zelaya. Las resoluciones de la asamblea son no vinculantes.

El embajador de Honduras en la ONU, Jorge Arturo Reina, denunció el golpe y dijo a la asamblea que apoyaba a Zelaya. "Hoy mi país ha perdido su sistema democrático de Gobierno", dijo.

El Congreso hondureño ha nombrado a Roberto Micheletti como presidente interino hasta las elecciones programadas para noviembre. Reina instó a las naciones del mundo a no aceptar ningún "Gobierno ilegítimo" que ocupe el lugar de Zelaya.

Durante la sesión del lunes, varios Gobiernos principalmente la tino a mericanos, denunciaron el golpe de Estado en Honduras.

Hablando por Estados Unidos, la enviada Rosemary DiCarlo dijo que Washington se había unido a la Organización de Estados Americanos (OEA) para exigir la restitución de Zelaya y en negarse a reconocer otro Gobierno en Tegucigalpa.

"Continuaremos con nuestro trabajo a través de la OEA para determinar cómo apoyar de mejor forma al pueblo hondureño mientras buscan restaurar pacíficamente su Gobierno constitucional", comentó.



Salida Zelaya salvó Honduras de "chavismo": Micheletti

TEGUCIGALPA (Reuters) - El presidente interino de Honduras, Roberto Micheletti, dijo el lunes que haber depuesto al ex mandatario Manuel Zelaya evitó que el país centroamericano virara a una izquierda más radical, como ocurrió en otros países latinoamericanos.

Zelaya, un empresario maderero liberal que en el último año de su gobierno se volvió muy cercano al presidente venezolano, Hugo Chávez, y adoptó un discurso de izquierda, fue derrocado en la madrugada del domingo por militares y llevado a Costa Rica a punta de rifle en un avión.

"El presidente Zelaya estaba llevando el país hacia el 'chavismo', estaba siguiendo ese modelo que no es aceptado por los hondureños", dijo Micheletti en entrevista con Reuters, un día después de haber jurado como presidente interino.

Micheletti, miembro del Partido Liberal al igual que Zelaya, era hasta el domingo el presidente del Congreso, donde la mayoría de los diputados se oponía a una consulta popular que Zelaya quería

Foto de archivo del presidente hondureño Manuel Zelaya. REUTERS/Edgard Garrido

realizar ese día para abrir el camino hacia la reelección.

Si Zelaya hubiera seguido en el poder "desgraciadamente hubiésemos tenido la mala suerte de caer en un orden anárquico en el país, hubiésemos tenido la obligación de cumplir los mandatos del presidente y no de la ley", dijo Micheletti.

El derrocamiento de Zelaya fue condenado de manera casi unánime por los gobiernos de América, incluido el de Estados Unidos, que en el pasado había propiciado golpes de Estado en la región.

Micheletti ingresó el lunes a la sede de la casa de Gobierno, conocida como Palacio José Cecilio del Valle, en medio de enfrentamientos entre policías, soldados y centenares de manifestantes partidarios de Zelaya que están apostados desde el domingo afuera de la sede de la presidencia.

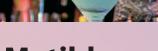




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